

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

These various types of ellipsometers can be modified in accordance with the subject invention to include an all-refractive focusing system. A preferred version of such a focusing system is illustrated in Figures [2] 3 and 4. This embodiment is defined by a three lens triplet consisting of a pair of calcium fluoride lenses 42, 46 and one fused silica lens 44. These lens materials are substantially transparent in the wavelength region of interest. In the preferred embodiment, the materials are at least 97% transmissive from 190nm to 900nm.